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laws. Please advance LB 935 to Select File. And I'm open for debate.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator McDonald. You've heard the opening on LB 935. Senator McDonald, there are other amendments but as primary introducer you may have your amendment go first if you care to. Otherwise they'll go in order. You can take yours up first if you wish to. Mr. Clerk, Senator McDonald wishes to take hers up first.

ASSISTANT CLERK: In that case, Mr. President, the first amendment I have is offered by Senator Wickersham. This is a...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk, I think...

ASSISTANT CLERK: ...AM2431.

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...I'm sorry, but didn't you say you wanted yours up first, Senator McDonald? She said she will wait. Okay. Pardon me. Go ahead, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Senator Wickersham, AM2431. (Legislative Journal page 480.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Wickersham, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, the amendment that you have in front of you, AM2431, is the contents of a bill that I have introduced before. It has always been killed by the Government Committee. They...the last time was no exception. It was LB 1...it...but I'm still going to offer the amendment to you today, because it has to do with, I think, and the bill...I'm sorry, I had the wrong bill in front of me, it was LB 382. Now, the bill deals with, what I think is, an increasingly important issue for the state of Nebraska. And that is the status of independent or unaffiliated voters in the primaries. We have an anomalous situation, in the primaries unaffiliated voters can vote for the federal candidates. They can choose whichever primary they wish...they want to participate in for federal candidates only. These are the folks